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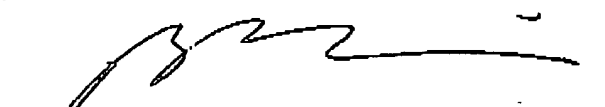
RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

In response to the action mailed on July 13, 2004, Applicant elects species IV in FIG. 3B. This elected species includes Claims 31-34, Claims 49-51 and Claim 11. In addition, Claims 1-5, Claims 13-15, and Claim 23 are generic to the elected species and thus should be examined with the elected species. Applicant further notes that Claims 10 and 20 have been allowed and their dependent claims 52 and 54 should also be allowed.

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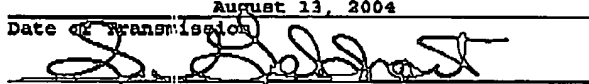

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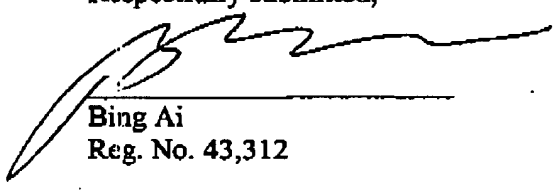
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